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COMPRISING SAME

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed April 24, 2002. A check for the extension fee in the amount of \$110.00 is attached. An Amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action is being filed simultaneously herewith. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully/submitted,

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